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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: MUZOREWA'S ACCEPTANCE OF TALKS WITH SMITH
IS QUALIFIED

REF: A) PRETORIA 6423, B) PRETORIA 6507

1. EMBASSY JUST RECEIVED NOV. 27 EDITION OF RHODESIAN
HERALD WHICH GIVES MORE COMPLETE RENDITION OF MUZOREWA'S
REACTION TO SMITH'S CALL FOR INTERNAL NEGOTIATIONS (REF A).
BESIDES THOSE POINTS ALREADY REPORTED, MUZOREWA SAID THAT
TALKS WITH SMITH COULD GO AHEAD IF THERE WAS A "FORMAL
CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE
BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO BE ATTENDED BY ALL REPRESENTATIVES
OF GROUPS WHO TOOK PART AT GENEVA". IF THE BRITISH
OPTED OUT, ACCORDING TO THE BISHOP, THE TALKS SHOULD GO FORWARD
WITHOUT THEM. MUZOREWA ALSO INSISTED THAT "THE UANC...BE FREE TO
CALL ON ANYONE INSIDE OR OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY TO TAKE
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APRT WITHOU HARASSMENT OR ARREST." ACCORDING TO
THE REPORT, MUZOREWA WELCOMED PARTICIPATION OF ALL OTHER
PARTIES EXCEPT FOR CHIEF CHIRAU'S ZUPO, WHICH HE SAID SHOULD
NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE TALKS.

2. COMMENT: IF MUZOREWA SHOULD STIKC TO THESE
CONDITIONS, HE WOULD PRESUMABLY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE TALKS.

THE MOZAMBIQUE RAID HAS ALSO FURTHER INHIBITED THE
BISHOP, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY. NEVERTHELESS, OUR
IMPRESSION IS THAT THE SITUATION IS FLUID AND
MUZOREWA IS WAVERING.
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